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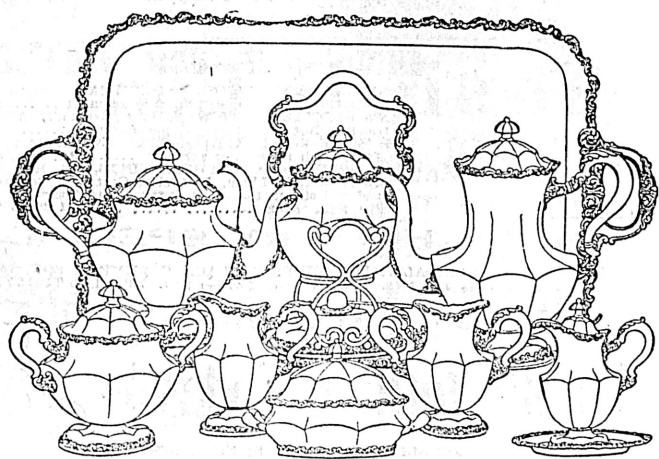
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An Electric Amalgamation

To Join British Columbia Electric Railway and Canadian General.

Some of the Benefits of Combining Large Iron Working Firms.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, April 18.—In less than two months the B. C. Electric railway and the Canadian General Electric company will be one gigantic corporation. This is the persistent rumor that has been circulating on the street since the arrival of Mr. Mackenzie, of Mackenzie & Mann from England a few days ago. Those not directly concerned, but in close touch with one or the other corporation, state that it is altogether likely the rumor is correct. Those directly concerned, however, have little to say. At the office of one of the corporations interested, the following statement was secured:

"Negotiations are, or have been on foot looking to the amalgamation of the two corporations. Mr. Mackenzie, who has just returned from England, has no doubt thoroughly thrashed out the matter with Mr. Horne-Payne. The result of those negotiations are not yet known. It is an amalgamation devotedly to be desired, and an attempt was made twice before to bring it about. There is nothing definite known and the rumors on the street cannot be relied upon."

The Colonist correspondent then asked if any other scheme to combine the two companies would be tried, if the Mackenzie-Mann-Nichols-Cox syndicate failed, as there was also a rumor that Mr. Nichols in this case would engineer the deal himself, with Toronto money. The reply was that such a deal was possible, but if it was brought about Mackenzie & Mann would still be in it with Mr. Nichols as a subsidiary company.

In the event of the combine being pulled off, all the light and electric power and supply companies would be practically under one management. As Mackenzie & Mann already own the gas company competition between the gas and electric light would be called off in Vancouver.

Mr. Howard, of Ross & Howard, iron manufacturers, stated to the Colonist correspondent this morning that the firm would at a time not yet decided upon, construct a marine railway near their foundry in the East End. Their foundry, with its recent addition, now handles seven tons of castings. The same firm are installing a plant for the manufacture of the most modern style of boiler engines.

Mr. Howard, regarding the amalgamation of the iron manufacturing interests of the province, stated that the preliminaries had been overcome, but the proposition was one presenting many difficulties, and it would be two or three months before the vital points could be settled. It had been already agreed by the ten firms interested, that it would be to their mutual advantage to combine. The saving in expenses would be enormous, and they could buy 25 per cent. cheaper. It was true that there was some dissatisfaction at the appraisal of some of the plants, but the promoters of the scheme agreed to accept the result of a board of arbitration, and all were satisfied to abide by the decision of such a board. So that the only real obstacle mentioned as being unmountable has proved no obstacle at all. In combining but one set of plans will have to be made for each contract, and the expensive experiments on special work will be borne by all the firms instead of one. The reports of the different firms in the combine would be according to the value of their plant as agreed upon by all the firms.

FOR SOUTH AFRICA.
Seven Hundred Eastern Men Already Enrolled.

Ottawa, April 18.—(Special)—In four days 700 men have enlisted for the third and fourth regiments for South Africa. Trooper Ernest Atkinson is dangerously ill of enteric. His father is J. Atkinson, Westminister.

CHINESE REFORMERS.

Rebels Are Friendly to Foreigners and Christians

Hongkong, April 18.—The Rev. Mr. Landis, an American missionary, who has arrived here from Nan-Ning, province of Kwang-si, confirms the reports of the seriousness of the rebellion in those provinces of China. He says all trade between Nan-Ning is paralyzed. There stores are packed with goods stopped on their way to the interior. The total rebel force number about 10,000 well armed men. The country around Nan-Ning is suffering with discontent arising from the oppression of the prefect of that district.

The rebels are friendly towards foreigners and Christians and allow the imperial post to penetrate into the rebel districts and deliver mail to foreigners.

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Proposal Rejected

Belgian House Votes Down the Attempt to Secure Universal Suffrage.

Great Excitement Follows and Socialists Hope King Will Intervene.

Troops Fire on Crowd Making a Demonstration at Louvain.

Brussels, April 18.—The Chamber of representatives today by 84 to 64 votes rejected the proposal to revise the Belgian constitution so as to provide for universal suffrage.

The debate in the chamber followed yesterday's lines.

M. Smeets (Socialist) accused the government of being anxious to let loose 60,000 soldiers against their brethren. But, he added, they would be unable to exterminate Socialism and enough Socialists would remain to continue the struggle. As the government was not willing to counsel the King to do his duty, nothing was left but for the Socialists to address His Majesty directly, and plead for his intervention. If he but said the word, peace would be re-established. The vote was then taken.

Great excitement followed the vote in the chamber. The Socialists held a meeting in the Maison du Peuple, at which M. Van der Velde, the leader of the Socialist movement in Belgium, urged his hearers to take action. He said that he hoped King Leopold still would intervene. The meeting adopted a resolution to continue the strike and dispersed without disorder. A serious riot has occurred at Louvain, near Brussels.

The Socialists held a demonstration in front of the residence of M. Sclavart, the president of the Chamber of Deputies. When the police attempted to disperse them they were received with a shower of stones. The civic guard then fired on the mob. A similar riot occurred in another part of Louvain and altogether five persons were killed and 12 wounded. Some of the members carried the dead and wounded to the Maison du Peuple.

Another riot is reported to have occurred at Bruges in Flanders.

The rioting at Louvain began at about half past seven this evening. A band of Socialists paraded the streets of the town, smashing windows with bolts and rivets. They broke through the police cordon in the Rue d'Elemeent. The civil guards stationed in the Palace St. Antoine became hard-pressed by the rioters and fired a volley.

The guard fired a second volley in front of the Catholic club. It is reported that 12 policemen were wounded. In some quarters the number of wounded policemen is placed at 20 and several are said to have been mortally injured. All houses of Louvain are barricaded and maintenance of order has assumed by the military.

V. V. & E.
Public Feeling in Greenwood Favors Building of Road.

Greenwood, April 18.—(Special)—At an enthusiastic mass meeting of citizens held here Thursday evening, a resolution was unanimously passed expressing sympathy with the V. V. & E. railway in its efforts to construct a road into the Boundary, and praying the provincial and federal governments to do everything in their power to facilitate the construction of the road.

WILL TRAVEL.
Dr. McKechnie Going to Europe—Summer Holidays.

Nanaimo, April 18.—(Special)—Dr. McKechnie and family leave tomorrow morning. They will go to Chicago, afterwards to Eastern United cities, and then to Europe. They will spend considerable time in Vienna. After a year's absence in the hospitals there Dr. McKechnie will take up practice in Vancouver.

The Merchants' Employees' association will ask the merchants for but three months half holidays each this year. Formerly they had Wednesday afternoon of each week for five months. They will ask for half holiday each evening during June, July and August, this year.

C. P. R. BILL.
Reported From Railway Committee With Some Amendments.

Ottawa, April 18.—In the Railway committee this morning the bill respecting the Canadian Pacific railway was reported after being amended so as to provide that company may go into mining, smelting and lumbering on its own lands, but may not purchase other concerns already engaged in these lines of business. A bill was introduced by Mr. Barker held this reply was a refusal on Mr. Rochester's part to give his employer's information in connection with the work on which he was employed. Mr. Haggart asked that the witness be compelled to answer, but the chairman refused to do so. The upshot of the matter was that after some pretty warm discussion Mr. Haggart gave notice of his intention of bringing the question before the House.

Mr. Sifton gives notice of a bill to give the Yukon territory one representative in the Commons.

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The estimates for the Northwest Territories were reached today and caused a long discussion on the question of forming one or more new provinces in the West. The consensus of opinion on subject was that there was no hurry, and that the territory could not reasonably complain if they were compelled to wait a year or two longer.

The government intended to do a big day's work in the way of passing estimates, but shortly after midnight Mr. Taylor called attention to the fact that no quorum was present, and this necessitated an adjournment.

The Private Bill's committee this morning reported a bill to incorporate the North Shore Power Railway & Navigation company with a capital of a million dollars and headquarters at Quebec to establish large pulp mills and other industries.

PAINTERS STRIKE OVER.

Trouble at Ottawa Settled by a Compromise.

Ottawa, Ont., April 18.—The painters' strike here has been settled by a compromise. The employers have agreed to pay the men who are worth it, the scale, viz.: \$2.25 for nine hours day, to paper hangers and \$2.00 to painters.

BOUNDARY OUTPUT.

Week's Shipments from the Mines Are Large.

Phoenix, April 18.—(Special)—This week's ore shipments from Boundary are a little less than the week which broke the record. In detail this week they are: Granby smelter, 9,808 tons, and in smaller lots, 2,432; Golden Crown, 30; Winnipeg, 95; Jewel, 270; total for the week, 12,680 tons. Boundary smelters treated for the week 12,848 tons of ore, as follows: Granby smelter, 9,808 tons, and in smaller lots, 2,432; Golden Crown, 30; Winnipeg, 95; Jewel, 270; total for the week, 12,680 tons. Boundary smelters treated for the week 12,848 tons of ore, as follows: Granby smelter, 9,808 tons, and in smaller lots, 2,432; Golden Crown, 30; Winnipeg, 95; Jewel, 270; total for the week, 12,680 tons. Boundary smelters treated for the week 12,848 tons of ore, as follows: Granby smelter, 9,808 tons, and in smaller lots, 2,432; Golden Crown, 30; Winnipeg, 95; Jewel, 270; total for the week, 12,680 tons.

BOGUS FLYING MACHINE.

German Imitator of Kleezy Arrested for Fraud.

Berlin, April 18.—Herman Ganswindt, whose so-called flying machine had attracted wide attention here and abroad, was arrested today for protracted deception, forgery and gulling the public into subscribing for shares of an aeroplane company. He obtained money in various sums from hundreds of persons. Ganswindt recently flooded the papers here with immense advertisements of flying machines, containing the endorsements of clergymen and other persons inexperienced in business, from all parts of Germany. It transpires that some of the names were forged, including the name of Emperor William's brother-in-law.

The detective had been working on the case for five months. He recently offered to the war minister, for 20,000,000 marks (about \$5,000,000), a flying machine, which he said would reach the planet Mars. He also claimed to have invented a motor having multiplying power, resulting in a sort of perpetual motion.

Ganswindt, who was originally a lawyer and then a farmer, had been experimenting for 10 years with various visionary inventions, not one of which practically realized his expectations.

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Treadgold Concession

Dominion Government Forced to Rescind Obnoxious Grant in Yukon.

And There Will Be no Monopoly of the Water Rights at Mines.

New Charter to Be Drawn With Objectionable Features Eliminated.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, Ont., April 18.—The government has had to bow before the storm of indignation aroused in the Yukon by the granting of concessions to the Treadgold syndicate, and it has been decided to cancel the original order-in-council.

A new order will be passed which will abolish the monopoly with respect to the furnishing of water and granting of abandoned claims so that the latter will be thrown open for location. A new charter will be granted from which all the objectionable features of the original one will be eliminated.

A Dawson despatch dated April 17 says: "The government at Ottawa today telegraphed the gold commissioner the following: 'Throw open for entry immediately all the lapsed and abandoned claims withheld from entry by the Treadgold order-in-council.'"

Dawson is jubilant. A big stampede will be on tomorrow. Hundreds of claims will be opened, and there will be a tremendous rush to get them.

The mine concession, two miles long, on Hunker creek, is to be opened on May 1. Dr. Milne, of Victoria, is the owner of this concession. Another big stampede will occur.

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MORE CAPTIVES.

General Ian Hamilton Takes Sixty-Four Prisoners.

Klerksdorp, Transvaal, April 18.—Gen. Ian Hamilton has taken a further drive, has captured 64 Boers.

STEEL SHIP BUILDING.

Canadian Manufacturers Association Advocate a Bonus.

Toronto, Ont., April 18.—The Executive committee of the Canadian Manufacturers' association yesterday passed a resolution advocating the granting of a subsidy to steel ship-building in Canada.

FOR COLONIZATION.

Colonel Pinault in Quebec Preparing For Contingent.

Ottawa, Ont., April 18.—Col. Pinault, deputy minister of militia, is in Quebec making arrangements for the mobilization of the Coronation contingent, and it is understood Quebec will be the point of embarkation.

GENERAL PARSONS.

New Imperial Commander Has Arrived at Halifax.

Halifax, N. S., April 18.—Major-General Parsons, new commander of the Imperial troops in Canada, arrived on the afternoon of the steamship Ionian, and was received by a guard of honor and salute from the Citadel.

FLOUR PRICES.

Ogilvie and Lake of the Woods Seem Ready for War.

Montreal, April 18.—(Special)—There is evidently trouble brewing between the two principal Manitoba flour-milling firms. Yesterday Ogilvie announced an advance of 20 cents a barrel to \$3.80 for strong bakers, and \$4.10 for patent. Today the Lake of the Woods company say they are still selling at \$3.60 for strong bakers and \$3.90 for patent.

C. P. R. rates from Montreal and Toronto to Western points, including C. P. R. steamers, have been reduced four cents on first-class freight, two cents on fifth and one cent on classes six, seven and ten.

Edmund Brainerd, K. C., one of the oldest and for years a highly successful member of the Montreal bar, died yesterday. He was born at Three Rivers in 1831, was called to the bar in 1852 and gained successful repute in his profession in 1878. He was made a Queen's counsel by the Dominion government.

PEACE CONFERENCE.

Boers Will Elect Delegates to Make a Decision.

London, April 18.—The government leader, A. J. Balfour, in the House of Commons today, made the following statement:

"After two conferences between Lord Milner and Lord Kitchener and the Boer delegates at Pretoria, Lord Kitchener, while refusing to grant an armistice, on military grounds, has agreed to give facilities for the election and meeting of representatives of the various Boer commands to consider the position. The Boer leaders have therefore left Pretoria to carry out this plan."

Mr. Balfour added that it is not expected that communication between the authorities and the Boer leaders could be resumed in less than three weeks' time.

AFTER MANY YEARS.

Stockholders in Chicago World's Fair to Get Small Dividend.

Chicago, April 18.—The \$450,000 which remains in the treasury of the World's Columbian exposition company will probably be divided next week among the 20,000 shareholders.

The last law suit against the company has been decided, and the board of directors has concluded to distribute the money as soon as preliminary work can be accomplished. The dividend, it is estimated, will amount to about 45 cents a share. Shares were sold for \$10. About one-fourth of the 20,000 stockholders held one share each. The fund will get about \$235,000 as its dividend on the \$5,000,000 bond issue. The funds have been tied up by litigation against the World's Fair company.

About 200 suits were brought for damages, the claims aggregating nearly \$500,000, and the money was held to meet possible judgments. Most of the cases were decided against the complainants, however, judgments being secured for less than \$15,000 of the entire amount.

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Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets cure a cold in one day. No Cure, No Pay. Price 25 cents.

BUSINESS POINTERS

The great slaughter sale at Wescott Bros., 88 Yates street, continues, and, unlike some sales of its kind, interest seems rather to increase than decrease, as the sale goes on. Every sale made is a genuine bargain to the purchaser, and satisfaction is expressed all round as a result. The goods are genuine and the prices at which they are marked are unprecedently low.

Among some of the bargains for today only, at Dixie H. Ross & Co.'s store, is the best California grass butter, at 40c. per square. If you ever expect to get on these big squares you had better get a motion on just for a little while.

E. & J. BURKE'S OLD IRISH WHISKEY

Especially suitable to those who do not like strong flavored whiskies. The extreme softness, mellowness, and fine character are produced by age and high quality.

Sale by all Leading Grocers and Wine Merchants.

Progress of Parliament

Canada's Military Service Is Becoming More Popular— Rifle Clubs.

Mr. Blair's Plan for a Railway Commission—The Metric System.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, April 12.—The public accounts committee is becoming an amusing farce. Notably its duty is to investigate the various items of public expenditure in order to see that the money has not been wasted. Practically its affairs are manipulated so that the only expenditures into which it is not permitted to enquire are those to which no suspicion attaches. This was well exemplified the other day when Mr. Barker, of Hamilton, attempted to secure authority for a general enquiry into the affairs of the Intercolonial. This request was promptly voted down by the supporters of the government. Their action was no doubt dictated by prudential motives. The Intercolonial is an expensive asset, and any serious attempt to find out what is really done with the money might easily prove awkward to some party workers. But there is no danger of this. The Intercolonial is a safe investment, and it is not worth while for anybody else to object.

THE MILITIA.

To all appearances something of the military spirit is gradually growing up in Canada. Hitherto the volunteers have been regarded partly as a social organization, partly as a good chance for a summer outing. The point of view is gradually changing, and the annual appropriation for military purposes is feeling the influence of the change. The service is growing more popular, and the latest movement foreshadowed by the Minister of Militia will probably meet with general approval. He proposes, in an indirect way, to increase the number of troops to 100,000. This is to be done by means of the formation of rifle clubs all over the country. These will, of course, be voluntary organizations, but they will be furnished with weapons and supplied with cartridges at a cheap rate.

THE TERRITORIES.

Politicians in the Northwest Territories are engaged in working up indignation against the government for having refused to erect the Territories into a province. The discussion of the subject in the territorial legislature is about the first that Eastern Canada has heard of. It will be news to most people that such a request was ever formally made. Certainly throughout Canada at large there is no particular disposition to refuse the Territories whatever form of government they think it would suit them. But an examination of the subject shows that this is, in as much human affairs, it is a question of money. The Territories believe that all the government lands of the West should be handed over to them, and that the annual grant from the Dominion should be considerably increased. Unfortunately they have a poor among themselves, and this will give the rest of the Dominion time to study the matter. Some Western men want one province and some want two. The southern part of the western Territories is arid, and requires large irrigation works. The northern part contains most of the undeveloped resources which in the future may be turned into cash. Consequently the south favors one province, and the north two.

RAILWAY COMMISSION.

Mr. Blair has just last entered upon courage to introduce a bill for the appointment of a railway commission in Canada. He has been promising such a measure ever since he came into office, but as he said himself, it was a measure that would be very intricate. Personally he was almost ready to give up the problem in despair, but the pressure finally forced him to act. He says he has a little better than the measure, but he has not yet decided what to do. The commission, when it is ultimately set up, will have to have in mind the interests of the people, and will consist of three gentlemen, holding office for a term of years, and removable only by a resolution of parliament. They will have practical advice from six members within their sphere of action. But there seem to be important limitations. Even Mr. Blair is obviously uncertain as to whether it would be good policy to allow the commission to control rates on government railroads. Furthermore, the charter of the C. P. R. appears to prevent rates on that road from being regulated until it is earning 10 per cent. In fact, these two facts taken together would seem to confine the action of the commission almost entirely to the province of Ontario, but this may turn out to be a disadvantage. The commission is expected to be appointed in the near future. The government merely wish to have the full discussion of the subject, so that a proper measure may be prepared. Perhaps it will become law a year hence.

THE METRIC SYSTEM.

How many people in this country know anything about the metric system? It has been in use for years in weights and measures. It is in use over a large part of the world, but English-speaking countries have not yet seen fit to adopt it. Sir Henry Grey, now lieutenant-governor of British Columbia, is one of its warmest advocates. Even Mr. J. H. Robinson, member for West Elgin, hitherto regarded as an aggressive non-progressive, has expressed himself in favor of the adoption of the system. There are many other members of the agriculture committee who agree with him, and before long the system will be adopted for all public purposes. The same movement is perceptible in the United States, where there is a bill before congress to provide that the metric system be used in all government specifications for all works on which public money is expended. Evidently the day is close at hand when Canadians will have to cease thinking in pounds and yards and learn to think in metres.

AGRICULTURAL ESTIMATES.

The agricultural estimates are a trial to the souls of all members of parliament who feel that their duty requires them to stay in the House while these estimates are being discussed. The trouble is with Mr. Fisher's verbosity. He takes a hundred words to say what could be said in ten, and he says the same thing two or three times over. He began the discussion last Friday by making an entirely unnecessary speech of about three hours' duration. All that he accomplished by this effort was to suggest a hundred questions which would never have been asked if he had kept quiet. In the midst of his torrent of words and by the aid of interminable cross-examination, he did succeed in informing the House that something substantial is going to be done towards providing proper cold storage facilities on ships carrying Canadian produce across the Atlantic. He also explained that some experiments are to be tried out looking towards the proper care of cheese for export. This was about the substance of his remarks and the sum of the year's work of his department.

THE POST OFFICE.

The Postmaster-General has introduced a bill dealing with the status of several classes of employees in his department.

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partment. On the face of the bill it is a limitation of the power of the administration of the postal service, but on examination of its chief clause proves to be a provision that employees who have hitherto required nine years to obtain the maximum salary may now reach the maximum in about half that time. This is a scheme to give the maximum salary to employees who have been appointed by the present administration, while leaving out of consideration those employees who have the misfortune to be Conservatives. There is nothing to prevent Mr. Mulock from paying his friends whatever he may think they are entitled to, but it is open to him, and not drag it in under a pretence that the public is receiving some benefit.

THE BUDGET.

The budget debate is a thing of the past, much to the relief of everybody engaged in it. The division took place on Mr. Borden's amendment, which strongly re-affirmed the system of protection, and expressed a desire for a national preference within the Empire. This motion was carried by a majority of a single member who makes any pretence of holding independent views. Even Mr. Calvin, of Frontenac, who is generally reckoned a fairly strong Conservative, left completely alone, and so it is. It is fair to add that many members of the House made speeches which were not afterwards reflected in the budget. Mr. John Charlton, who has become a member of the Conservative business elsewhere when the vote was taken at 3 o'clock in the morning. Next evening he distinguished himself by a speech in which he said that he would not support the Conservative position. If they do not, so much the worse for the Conservatives.

A new class of manufacturers in this country have made out a clear grievance against the preferential tariff. The woolen manufacturers of Canada, and especially the smaller manufacturers, cannot continue to do business under present conditions. The competition of English goods is too much for them. A rather grim commentary on the situation is found in the fact that in several cases insurance companies have refused to renew the insurance on small mills. Manufacturers have several times appealed to the government for assistance, but thus far they have received no satisfaction. One minister of the crown in fact went so far as to say that if the present tariff did not give them enough protection they had better get out of the business. That is just what they will do unless something unexpected happens. The farmer has an indirect but very real interest in the situation. He cannot sell his wool in the United States owing to the prohibitive tariff. If the Canadian mills close down it will mean that the wool will have no market.

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Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 24th day of March, A. D., 1902.

ROBERTSON & ROBERTSON, Solicitors for the Applicants.

Tramway Company Incorporation Act.

Notice is hereby given by the Tree Coping Company, Limited, of 45 Leadenhall Street, London, England, and having its registered office at Cleveland's Corridor, in the Province of British Columbia, pursuant to section 2 of the "Tramway Incorporation Amendment Act, 1900," that the Company proposes to build and operate an aerial tramway from a point on the lands of the Company known as the "Tree" Mining Claim, situated on the lands of the land known as Section 13, Range IV, Somers District, to a point at or near Stratford's crossing, on the line of the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway, and on the land known as Section 13, Range IV, Somers District.

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the fact that the name of the Attorney-
General appears on the injunction granted
against the V. V. & E. company. His
being made a party to the suit is some
legal formality which we do not profess
to understand, but to which he was com-
pelled to submit by an order of the
Court which he could not disobey. If
the good people of Greenwood and
Grand Forks had not been under a com-
plete misapprehension of the facts, they
would have had ample cause for their
indignation. It certainly is not the
function of a government to interfere
in the private disputes between two rail-
way companies.

THE ESTIMATES.

The estimates brought down yesterday
are the most businesslike financial ar-
rangements ever laid before the people
of British Columbia, and reflect the
greatest amount of credit upon the pre-
sent Minister of Finance, the Hon. J. D.
Prentice. The estimate of revenue is
most conservative, and moderate. The
total revenue, although it is proposed
to collect \$320,000 arrears of taxes, is
only slightly in excess of last year's
estimate. It is therefore likely that the
revenue will equal, if not exceed, the
forecast now made. We observe that a
decrease is made in the estimated re-
venue from Free Miners' Certificates
and Mining Receipts general, two sources
from which the revenue is largely in-
flated during times of mining specula-
tion and excitement; whereas a very
large increase is expected from the min-
eral tax, a source of revenue dependent
on productive mining. This shows the
healthy condition in which the mining
industry is, in spite of the fact that the
low prices of the precious metals have
a tendency to diminish prospecting
and the flotation of new companies. The
conditions now prevailing, however, are
likely to alter for the better, and the
revenue from the first named sources to
expand again. The royalty on coal is
also progressing in its contribution to
the revenue, another very satisfactory
indication of the condition of industry.
A new source of revenue appears in the
Fisheries. The lifting of the reserve
on the foreshores is bound to result in
a handsome revenue to the government,
provided valuable franchises are not
given away, as the estimates indicate
they will not be. The most important
feature of the estimated revenue, how-
ever, is the indication given that a de-
termined effort will be made to collect
arrears of taxes. The arrears of taxes in
this province are appalling. Capitalized
these arrears would at a low rate of in-
terest bring a revenue of something like
\$50,000 a year. So that they really
amount to a very large indirect charge
upon those who do pay their taxes. This
is a question to be grappled with, and
firmly, and the people of the country
will warmly second Mr. Prentice in his
efforts in this direction. Both in his
educational measure which had an im-
portant financial bearing, and in his
method of dealing with arrears, Mr.
Prentice has shown strength and cour-

age, as well as a grasp of the economic
difficulties and financial necessities of
the province. If we turn to the expendi-
ture side of the sheet these qualities are
conspicuous also. The expenditure on
public works has been reduced by \$150,-
000 in round numbers. Nothing will
point the demand of the provincial gov-
ernment for better terms from the Do-
minion, and press it home upon the peo-
ple of the province better than that.
Public works in which the Dominion
government does not assist, add more to
the revenue of the Dominion government
than they do to that of the province.
Railways assisted by the Dominion gov-
ernment, are, of course, in a different
position. Consequently, the people must
either submit to heavier taxation, give
up some useful expenditure, or procure
fairer and more reasonable assistance
from the Dominion. Unquestionably this
is the biggest issue before the people.
We certainly have no alternative but to
tax ourselves more heavily, or to secure
better terms from the Dominion. This
is one of the financial lessons taught
by the present estimates. "It is to be
hoped it will be laid to heart, and a
healthy public opinion surround the
policy of the government in its agitation
for better terms. With very moderate
and careful estimates of revenue, Mr.
Prentice has succeeded in more nearly
balancing his expenditure with his re-
venue than has been the case for some
considerable time, and we may hope that
through the stimulus given to develop-
ment by the successful inauguration of
the government's railway policy his ex-
pectations will be exceeded.

PROOF POSITIVE.

The opposition has endeavored per-
sistently to lay before the members of
the government the alternative of either
having led about the dual capacity of
Mr. Greenshields, or of having actually
employed him as an agent in his negoti-
ations with Messrs. Mackenzie &
Munn. The Chief Commissioner of
Lands and Works in particular, has been
singled out to bear the onus of these
alternatives, because of some remarks
of his in the House of which a wrong
impression was taken at the time by
some newspapers. The case against
him was based not upon what he said,
but upon what the newspapers reported
him to have said, and entirely without
proof. Now it happens that on the
18th day of January, Hon. Mr. Wells
wrote a personal letter to Mr. Green-
shields, in which he talks both about
railway matters and about Mr. Green-
shields' own position. This letter was
a personal and confidential one, and was
written long before the question of any
dual capacity was mooted. It was pro-
duced in the Royal Commission and
was read over, but it was not put in evi-
dence, nor did the reporters receive
copies of it. The letter begins as fol-
lows:

"My Dear Greenshields,
Upon my return here I submitted to
the Executive the arrangement made
with yourself, and it was entirely ap-
proved of, that is you are to act for
the government of British Columbia in
all matters of negotiation with the Do-
minion government."

It then goes on to describe in detail
the railway policy of the government,
with a view to explaining certain mat-
ters between the provincial and Domini-
on governments in reference to the
Coast-Kootenay road, which he wished
Mr. Greenshields to attend to. After
which it continues:

"By reference to a memorandum at-
tached to the map showing the Coast-
Kootenay road, you will see that a fair-
ly feasible route has been defined, this
leading directly to Midway, a point com-
mon to the C. P. R. and Great Northern
systems. The bridge from Allison to
Spence's Bridge, surveyed by the C. P.
R. is not for the present included, but
with the opening up of the country more
immediately tributary to the main line,
the Spence's Bridge branch would have
to be considered later. Regarding the
Coast-Kootenay road, you will notice
that the Premier, in his recent manifes-
to, a copy of which you will receive, in-
timates the intention of this govern-
ment to ask the Dominion government
to undertake jointly its construction.
This, for the present, commits us to a
policy in respect to this particular road.
In my own opinion the Dominion will not
accept our proposition, but until it is
rejected, we are, in a way, unable to
negotiate for its construction. Now I
trust you to go to Ottawa before leaving
for British Columbia, and settle this so
as to be able to say definitely that the
Ottawa government will, or will not en-
ertain the joint construction of the
Coast-Kootenay road. This will prob-
ably clear the deck for other negotia-
tions. I am counting on Mann coming,
as we do not care to have our negotia-
tions with Sutherland interrupted."

The balance of the letter has to do
with politics. The only place in which
any negotiations are mentioned other
than those between the provincial and
Dominion governments, is in the sen-
tence: "I am counting on Mann coming,
as we do not care to have our negotia-
tions with Sutherland interrupted." This
sentence is absolutely inconsistent with the
allegation that Mr. Greenshields was acting
as the agent of the government. The gov-
ernment did not wish to deal with
Messrs. Mackenzie & Munn through Mr.
Sutherland. How could such a state-
ment as that be made to an agent known
to be in direct communication with
Messrs. Mackenzie & Munn himself? It
is obviously an impossible statement. If
Mr. Greenshields was the agent of the
government in these negotiations, im-
agine anyone telling an agent who was
acting in a dual capacity, whom he
knew was acting in a dual capacity, that
he would not negotiate through a
different person altogether! This sen-
tence, besides, was written in a private
and confidential letter, where the safe-
guards of conspiracy would be thrown
down, and yet it is a prima facie and
specific disproof of the allegation made
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of it, it is not a repudiation of it, it is
simply a statement absolutely inconsis-
tent with the existence of such rela-
tions between the provincial govern-
ment and Mr. Greenshields as have been
alleged. Everybody knows that the at-
tempt to impugn the honesty of the min-
isters has absolutely failed; and that,
having failed, the point of attack was
changed, and their veracity assailed.
That charge hangs upon the statement
that Hon. Mr. Wells on one occasion
contradicted all that he had said before,
including statements in private letters,
and all that he has said since, including
his sworn testimony, and did so when
such a contradiction could not possibly
assist either himself or the ministry,
but was bound to injure them. How pre-
posterous!

DROPPED THE BOOTY.

The Treadgold concession has evapor-
ated. The ground proposed to be mono-
polized is to be thrown open at once,
and that covered by another concession
reported to be owned by Dr. Milne, of
Victoria, is to be opened on the 1st of
May. As an illustration of the feeling
aroused in Dawson over the matter, we
quote a couple of paragraphs from let-
ters written by a young man to his par-
ents in Victoria on the 17th of February
and the 3rd of March:

"We are having all kinds of trouble
here the past few days over an order
in council passed at Ottawa giving away
the whole country to Treadgold, an En-
glish capitalist. There is going to be a
mass meeting tonight, and the people
here are going to do their utmost to
have the order knocked out. That fel-
low Sifton is doing all he can to kill
this country, and I would be pleased to
see him do a charitable act and drop
off the face of the earth. He is the
worst I have ever heard of. The people
here are a pretty lot, and if the thing
wouldn't take very much to raise them
up to rebellion, and I wouldn't blame
them a bit. It is a shame that things
should be run in such a manner. They
are trying to make the miners leave the
country instead of offering them some
inducements to stay here, as they should
do. It really makes one ashamed of
this country, or the government of it,
rather."

"I suppose you have heard all about
that Treadgold mining concession. It
has caused a lot of trouble in here, and
will cause a great deal more if the thing
really goes through. I sent a telegram
to Mr. Dunn asking him to use his in-
fluence for the cancellation of the con-
cession, but I don't know how he would
receive such a proposition from a Con-
servative. It is quite a newspaper
writer, and he ought to send some pieces
to different papers saying that this con-
cession is going to hurt the country and
drive honest, hard-working prospectors
from this country. He could do up quite
a heart-rending letter, and would even be
able to convince those flint-hearted Lib-
erals that they are doing this long-ev-
er country an injustice by granting
such a gigantic monopoly. I am a good
and patriotic Canadian, but if they ever
had any trouble over this concession
here, and were calling for volunteers to
put down any rebellion, I don't believe
I would be one of the few to stick up
for the country. There is very bitter
feeling here against this concession, and
the government at Ottawa had better
think twice before giving away the best
part of this district to some capitalist
who will do more injury than benefit to
the place."

That is pretty strong language, even
allowing for the warm blood of generous
youth. But it gives a vivid picture of
the sickening results of Mr. Sifton's rule
in the Klondike. Verily the Liberals
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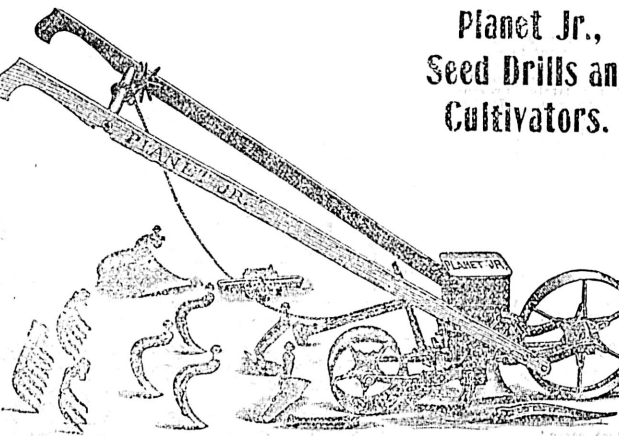
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Q.—One hundred times?
A.—More than that, I think.
Q.—Two hundred times?
A.—About that, I should think.
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A.—I don't know.
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MENTION THIS PAPER

Revenue and Expenditure

The Estimates for Fiscal Year 1902-3 Presented By the Finance Minister.

Large increase in Estimated Revenue—Increase in Expenditure \$10,719.

Hon. J. D. Prentice, minister of finance, presented to the House yesterday the estimates of receipts and expenditure for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1903, together with supplementary estimates to provide for the balance of the current fiscal year. There is an increase of \$81,817.60 in the estimated receipts from all sources, and an increase of expenditure of \$10,719.81. The former is partly made up from the Dominion per capita grant, which the census has had the effect of increasing from \$120,000 to \$141,817.60; real property tax, increase, \$85,000; personal property tax, increase, \$65,000; land and water tax, increase, \$75,000; income tax, increase, \$20,000; timber leases, increase, \$50,000; licenses, increase, \$10,000; mineral tax, increase, \$50,000; royalty and tax on coal, increase, \$35,000. The decreases in revenue are principally as follows: Land revenue, \$40,000; free miners' certificates, \$20,000; revenue tax, \$10,000; Chinese tax, \$5,000. The principal increases of expenditure appear under the following heads: Public debt, \$31,700; civil government, \$9,300; public institutions, \$4,210; education, \$43,103. There is a large decrease in the estimate for public works, amounting to \$124,241. There are several small increases in civil government salaries. The opening of new schools and providing new school buildings has increased the estimate of education very considerably. The Royal visit cost the province \$11,955.31, and on account of the invasion of smallpox, which at one time threatened the province at every point, the Health Department required additional to the modest \$5,000 originally voted.

Under the head of Public Works, the following details may prove of interest: Contributions to Victoria towards construction of Point Ellice bridge, \$30,000; North Victoria (maintenance of roads and bridges), \$6,000; South Victoria, \$8,000; Esquimaux, \$11,000; Cowichan, \$5,000; Alberni, \$3,000; North Nanaimo, \$5,000; South Nanaimo, \$15,000; Nanaimo city, outside municipal limits, \$1,740; Comox, \$11,300; Vancouver Island main trunk road, \$9,000; Richmond, \$8,000; DeWdney, \$16,000; Chilliwack, \$25,000; Delta, \$7,160; Fraser river bridge, at Chimney creek, \$20,000; Cariboo road, \$26,000; surveys generally, \$12,000; contingencies for public works generally, \$50,000.

RECEIPTS.	1902-3.	1901-2.
Dominion of Canada, annual payment of interest at 5 per cent.	\$2,151.05	\$2,151.05
Dominion of Canada, annual payment of Subsidy to govern.	35,000.00	35,000.00
Dominion of Canada, annual payment of Grant per capita on 177,272	141,817.60	120,000.00
Dominion of Canada, annual payment of for lands and water dues	100,000.00	100,000.00
Land sales (including estimated collections on overdue payments, \$10,000)	50,000.00	37,000.00
Land revenue (including rental of lands and water dues)	37,000.00	35,000.00
Timber royalty and licenses	50,000.00	50,000.00
Rents (exclusive of land)	200.00	200.00
Survey fees	110,000.00	80,000.00
Timber leases	100,000.00	130,000.00
Free miners' certificates	15,000.00	20,000.00
Mining permits, general	10,000.00	70,000.00
Marriage licenses	6,000.00	6,000.00
Real property tax (including estimated collections on arrears, \$80,000)	210,000.00	125,000.00
Personal property tax (including estimated collections on arrears, \$60,000)	140,000.00	75,000.00
Wild land tax (including estimated collections on arrears, \$75,000)	120,000.00	55,000.00
Income tax (including estimated collections on arrears, \$15,000)	55,000.00	35,000.00
Tax sale delinquencies	100.00	100.00
Commission on tax sales	200.00	200.00
Revenue tax	120,000.00	80,000.00
General tax	150,000.00	200,000.00
Revenue service refunds	500.00	500.00
Fines and forfeitures and small debt court fees	14,000.00	14,000.00
Save stamps	10,000.00	10,000.00
Probate fees	10,000.00	10,000.00
Registry fees	1,500.00	1,500.00
Bureau of Mines	10,000.00	7,000.00
Hospital for the Insane	500.00	500.00
Provincial Home	15,000.00	500.00
Printing office receipts	500.00	500.00
Sale of government property	4,000.00	25,000.00
Reimbursements in aid	35,500.00	135,000.00
Interest on investment of sinking funds	40,000.00	100,000.00
Chinese Restriction Act, 1884 (Dominion Fund)	20,000.00	20,000.00
Fisheries, etc.	130,000.00	95,000.00
Succession duty	20,000.00	20,000.00
Royalty and tax on coal	20,000.00	20,000.00
Miscellaneous receipts	20,000.00	20,000.00
Total	\$2,222,508.65	\$2,140,751.05

EXPENDITURE.	1902-3.	1901-2.
Public debt	\$49,140.31	411,440.31
Civil government (salaries)	263,280.00	273,980.00
Administration of Justice (salaries)	121,500.00	120,000.00
Legislation	44,195.60	41,325.00
Public Institutions (maintenance)	128,590.00	124,380.00
Hospitals and charities	71,700.00	87,300.00
Administration of Justice (other than salaries)	412,140.00	119,200.00
Education	21,200.00	10,200.00
Transport	17,900.00	13,000.00
Revenue services		
Public Works	\$200,150.00	
Works and buildings	4,700.00	
Government House	395,250.00	
Roads, streets, bridges and wharves	395,250.00	
Surveys	50,000.00	
Contingencies	692,200.00	804,641.10
Miscellaneous	137,570.00	119,900.24
Total	\$2,456,127.31	\$2,475,334.60

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Defence of The Empire

Board of Trade Urges It Be Discussed at Colonial Conference.

And That a Canadian Naval Reserve Be Established—Other Business.

The quarterly general meeting of the Victoria Board of Trade was held yesterday afternoon. There was not a very large attendance.

The subjects discussed were Imperial defence and colonial contributions to the navy, Island development and the coasting laws. A deputation consisting of Capt. Devereux and Messrs. Roberts, G. T. Devereux and Joseph Pierson, from the British Columbia branch of the Imperial Navy League, attended the meeting and Mr. Pierson delivered an interesting address on the importance of the naval defence of the trade of the Empire and the part taken therein by the colonies. He said that the proposed resolution in favor of the objects of the local branch of the league.

The subject of Island development, introduced by Mr. Lugin, who referred to projected Island railways, resolved itself into a dispute concerning alternative routes of the Canadian Northern, against which dispute Mr. D. R. Ker energetically protested.

Mr. J. J. Shallocross, representing a local country gentleman, inquired into the effect upon local shipping of the existing coast laws, reported that these laws were distinctly adverse to Canadian ships, but that owing to the pressure of business, the committee made no recommendation, and asked to be discharged.

Mr. L. G. McQuade presided, and there were present Messrs. J. J. Shallocross, A. Holland, C. H. Lugin, J. Vincent, J. S. Chas. Baxter, J. A. Thomson, E. M. Johnson, R. Seabrook, Mitchell, A. B. Fraser, D. R. Ker, C. J. Spratt, S. J. Pither, J. A. Mara, S. J. Pitts and the secretary, W. E. Elphinstone.

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SUBSCRIPTIONS.
G. Cowan, 12 months to 30th June, 1903, at \$20—\$20.00; Black, 12 months to 30th June, 1903, at \$20—\$20.00; D. Whitehead, 12 months to 30th June, 1903, at \$20—\$20.00; N. Fitzsimmons, 12 months to 30th June, 1903, at \$20—\$20.00; H. O. Welch, 12 months to 30th June, 1903, at \$20—\$20.00; G. F. Bodding, 12 months to 30th June, 1903, at \$20—\$20.00. Total, \$120.00.

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THE SUPPLEMENTARIES.

The supplementary estimates call for a total of \$192,408.50, to cover expenditures up to the 30th June, 1902. Some of the larger items are: Public institutions, maintenance, \$5,500; hospitals and charities, additional grants, \$2,750; special constables, \$3,000; traveling expenses of officers on duty, \$3,000; collection of revenue, \$4,000. For the expenditure on works and buildings, the following sums are asked:

Public Institutions (additional to \$4,000 voted), \$3,000; Government House, Victoria, (construction), re-vote, \$27,680; Registry office, Victoria (interior fittings), \$1,030; court house, Rossland (chapel for ground floor), \$700; court house, Golden (additional to \$1,500 voted), \$150; government office, Alberni (additional to \$1,000 voted), \$175. Total, \$32,735.

ROADS, STREETS, BRIDGES, AND WHARVES.

Load superintendents (additional to \$1,000 voted), \$3,500; South Victoria district, additional to \$9,500 voted), \$4,000; Esquimaux district (additional to \$10,000 voted), \$1,800; Cowichan district (additional to \$8,000 voted), \$250; Alberni district (additional to \$10,000 voted), \$500; South Nanaimo district, (additional to \$20,500 voted), \$1,800; Comox district (additional to \$17,300 voted), \$800; West Victoria district (additional to \$15,310 voted), \$1,000; East Kootenay, South riding, bridge, Elk creek, at Mitchell's (additional to \$20,500 voted), \$2,700; bridges, general renewals, etc., (additional to \$15,500 voted), \$4,000; ferry subsidy, Churn creek, (additional to \$900 voted), \$350; ferry subsidy, Thompson river, Kamloops, (additional to \$300 voted), \$100; ferry subsidy, Savona (additional to \$300 voted), \$300. Total, \$23,300.

CONTINGENCIES.

Contingencies for roads, streets and bridges, including two steel spans and masonry viaducts, North Arm bridges, Fraser river, at Elburne, etc., \$40,000.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Postage and express (additional to \$8,000 voted), \$2,500; library, legislative (additional to \$1,500 voted), \$225; library, traveling (additional to \$500 voted), \$125; refund on money contributed to T. R. H. Duke and Duchess of Cornwall, \$11,555.31; compensation for loss sustained in opening marble quarry on Texada Island, resulting from fire in issuing lease for land previously Crown-granted, \$4,708; compensation to owners of cattle for loss sustained by tuberculosis, \$800; printing and binding revised edition of B. C. Year Book, \$1,000; Royal Commission on charges made against the government by the member for Rossland, \$1,500; Royal Commission, re Chinese and Japanese immigration (approximate), \$1,000; printing and binding, and classifying dyking lands, \$1,500; Atlin mining commission, \$1,500; Coal miners' examinations (allowances to examiners, secretaries, etc.), \$2,000; Dairywomen's association (general expenses), \$1,000; importation of pure-bred stock, \$700; gratuity to the widow of the late Arthur Shepherd, assistant government agent, New Westminster, \$300. Total, \$61,803.

Don't forget that The Mammoth Bankrupt Clothing Store will be open until 11 tonight, 111 Government St.

A Strong Statement.

When a mother puts a thing emphatically it is because she knows what she is talking about. Mrs. J. F. Harrigan, Huntingdon, Que., says: "I have used Baby's Own Tablets in our house for over a year, and I can say that they are all that is claimed for them."

Satisfactory Results.

Mrs. Hunt, Dumfries, N. B., says: "I am glad to say that I have used Baby's Own Tablets with satisfactory results."

Free to Mothers Only.

To every mother of young children who will send us her name and address plainly written on a postal card, we will send free of all charge a valuable little book on the care of infants and young children. This book has been prepared by a physician who has made the ailments of little ones a life study. With the book we will send a free sample of Baby's Own Tablets—the best medicine in the world for the minor ailments of infants and children. Mention the name of this paper and address The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

A Mother's Comfort.

"I have found Baby's Own Tablets a great medicine for children of all ages," writes Mrs. H. Fox, Orange Ridge, Man., "and I would not be without them in the house. They are truly a comfort to baby and mother's friend."

Just the Thing for Baby.

Mrs. Ed. Jones, 55 Christietown, Ottawa, says: "I have used Baby's Own Tablets and find them just the thing for baby."

A Great Help.

"I have found Baby's Own Tablets a great help for my little ones," writes Mrs. James Clark, 60 Convent street, Montreal, "and I think so much of them that I would advise mothers to keep them in the house all the time."

Surprising Results.

Mrs. William Fitzgibbon, Steenberg, Ont., says: "My little baby, six months old, was very sick. I gave him Baby's Own Tablets and was surprised to find the change they made in him in a few hours. I shall keep the Tablets in the house after this."

CONSIGNEES.

Consignees per steamer Rosalie from the Sound: Leuz & Lelzer, Province Clear Co., Turner, Beaton & Co., L. Goodacre, Fell & Co., Erskine, Wall & Co., Saunders, Gregory & Co., J. P. P. & Co., Davis Bros., J. H. Good, Wm. Howness, Watson & McGee, Victoria Gas Co., Jas. Hirst, John Hickey, J. H. McWilliams, H. S. Ives, John Tolly, Jno. Coughlin & Co., Brackman, Dickinson, Jno. Wals, T. Sorenson.

PROSPECTING SEASON.

From Nelson Miner. Prospectors have been leaving for the hills steadily during the past few days, and there are now quite a number at work along Forty-Nine and Bird creeks, most of them being busy getting their assessment work done before the season opens up sufficiently to permit of exploratory work. A few bears have made their presence known to the camps on Bird creek. Deer are quite plentiful on the north side of the lake, but have not yet been seen on this side, the earlier vegetation of the north shore attracting them. Herds of five and six have been seen coming down in the early morning to drink at the lake twice within five miles of the city recently.

INLAND NAVIGATION.

From Kootenay Mail. The Upper Columbia Navigation company, with headquarters at Golden, have decided to add to the Columbia river fleet the North Star which formerly ran on Kootenay river. Capt. Armstrong has gone to add to the Columbia river fleet the North Star which formerly ran on Kootenay river. Capt. Armstrong has gone to add to the Columbia river fleet the North Star which formerly ran on Kootenay river.

PASSENGERS.

Passengers per steamer Rosalie from the Sound: S. Collins, O. Graham, wife, N. C. Brinker, W. A. Dier, E. Treugnot and wife, B. Leonard, J. D. Williams, Jas. Lathford, Chas. Casey and wife, Miss Lawson, Mrs. Kenworthy, J. Verter, J. Marks, A. Shadobit, C. Matheson, B. O. Anderson, C. C. Potts, May and wife, Sorenson and wife, Mr. Lund, W. Childs, H. Howard, F. F. Clark.

What the foundation is to a building—the sole is to a shoe—basic, fundamental.

In sky-scraper, or foot-wear, the covered up base, that which is least seen is of greatest importance.

No single item in a shoe costs so much as the best sole leather, and no part can be "robbed" so easily, without revealing it to the eye.

Paint and polish cover equally the best, and the worst, sole in the finished shoe.

Wear alone tells the consumer (too late for remedy) what grade of leather has been put into it.

This is where the "Slater Shoe"—the slate frame "Slater Shoe"—steps in, to eradicate lottery.

As the Slater Shoe Makers brand their own price on the sole of every pair, they thus become directly responsible to the Wearer up to that price, for its durability and shape retention, in addition to its window appearance.

They dare not rob the vitals of the shoe to put the plunder into the mere selling points—into surface value, and finish chiefly.

Goodyear Welted and priced on the sole, \$4.00, \$5.50.

"The Slater Shoe"

J. Fullerton and J. H. Baker, Sole Local Agents

THE GREAT SLAUGHTER SALE OF DRY GOODS

Is still going on at 88 Yates St. Hundreds of Ladies have visited our store since this great sale began, and have secured splendid Bargains. The entire stock we purchased from the Argyle House must be sold; and as we bought it at half-price, we have marked it down to prices that are real bargains, and when the price is considered, it is not to be wondered at.

Good, strong Dress Goods, suitable for school dresses, at 12 1/2c, 15c, and 17 1/2c per yard, worth more than double the money.

50c. to 75c. goods are selling at 25c. to 40c. per yard. Better quality goods reduced in like proportion; both Black and Colored.

Colored Plush 25c. per yard; regular price 90c. per yard.

Black Velveteens from 15c. per yard. Colored Velveteens from 40c. per yard; were 60c.

Shot and Corded Velveteens at half-price.

A large range of Hosiery, both Ladies' and Children's, marked below cost.

25c. Hosiery are selling at 15c. per pair.

Remember, this stock has got to be sold out to make room for new spring and summer goods, that you can't afford to let pass.

Our House Furnishing Department is up-stairs, where is to be found Lace Curtains, Comfort Quilts, White Bedspreads, Flannellette Sheets, Pillows, etc.

30c. Lace Curtains 25c. pair

\$1.00 Lace Curtains 65c. pair

\$1.50 Lace Curtains \$1.00 pair

All other lines equally good value.

75c. Colored Quilts 45c. each

\$1.00 Colored Quilts 65c. each

\$1.75 and \$2.00 Colored Quilts \$1.15 and \$1.25 each

Men's Working Shirts, 50c. and 75c. each

\$1.00 White Spreads at 65c.

\$1.25 White Spreads (large) 90c.

English Flannellette Blankets; regular \$1.25—NOW 75c.

Flannellette-Crib Blankets 105c.

Wool Carpet Ends; regular price 75c. and \$1.00 50c. and 60c.

And summer stock. Come and be convinced that you can't afford to let pass.

Wescott Bros., 88 Yates Street.

Piles To prove to you that Dr. Chase's Ointment is a cure for each and every form of itching, hemorrhoids, and all the troubles that they cause, we will give you a box of our ointment for free. It is a cure for each and every form of itching, hemorrhoids, and all the troubles that they cause. It is a cure for each and every form of itching, hemorrhoids, and all the troubles that they cause. It is a cure for each and every form of itching, hemorrhoids, and all the troubles that they cause.

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CHEAP RESIDENCE FOR SALE.

A good two-story house, with a lot and a half, situated on South Turner Street, with good garden, for sale for a few days for \$1,800. This is a Bargain.

PEMBERTON & SON, 45 Fort Street

Provincial Legislature

Estimates Brought Down—The House Settles Steadily to Business.

Several Bills Given Second Reading and Others Pass Committee Stage.

Legislative Assembly, April 18, 1902. Mr. Speaker took the chair at 2:15 p.m.

Rev. Dr. Campbell offered prayer. Hon. Mr. Prentice presented a message from His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, as follows: The Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of British Columbia transmits herewith,

Estimates of sums required for the service of the province for the financial year ending 30th June, 1902; Supplementary estimates of expenditure (No. 2) for the financial year ending 30th June, 1902; Schedule A, unprovided items of expenditure for the financial year ending 30th June, 1902.

It was ordered that the said message and estimates be referred to the committee of supply on Monday.

The Hon. the Minister of Mines presented a return of all correspondence between the Provincial and Dominion governments, since 1st March, 1901, on the subjects set out.

1. The administration of minerals under Indian reserves;

2. The adjustment and reduction in size of Indian reserves;

The Hon. the Minister of Finance presented a return of all papers and letters and other documents passing between the government and Mr. C. S. V. Branch, agent of the Sun Life Insurance company, of Vancouver, B.C., Mr. Henry Davis, of Hatzic, B.C., Mr. A. Dion, of Hatzic, B.C., and any other person or persons, with respect to the settlement of the indebtedness of the municipality of Dewdney and a settlement of the affairs of the said municipality.

Mr. Oliver asked for a return regarding expenditure on public works in Delta, which Hon. Mr. Wells promised to bring down as soon as possible.

FIRST READINGS.

Mr. Martin introduced a bill to amend the Legal Professions Act, which was read a first time.

Mr. Hayward's bill to amend the Game Protection Act was also read a first time.

THIRD READINGS.

The bill to Regulate Public Aid to Hospitals was read a third time and passed.

The bill to amend the Trustees and Executors Act was also read a third time and passed.

GRAND FORKS.

The report of the bill to Amalgamate the Cities of Grand Forks and Columbia was adopted.

JUDGMENTS ACT.

The House went into committee to consider a bill to amend the Judgments Act, Mr. Rogers in the chair.

The bill provides that when an order for sale of land is made the registrar shall find what judgments affect such land and settle their priority, and also settle how the proceeds of such sale shall be distributed. As a rule the creditor first taking proceedings shall be entitled to his costs in priority to all other claims under judgment.

The bill was reported complete with amendments.

CREDITORS' TRUST DEEDS.

The bill to amend the Creditors' Trust Deeds Act passed committee, Mr. Munro chairman, with amendments, and was reported.

GUARANTEE BONDS.

Hon. Mr. Eberts moved the second reading of a bill to amend the Administration Act. The bill provides that the bonds of any incorporated guarantee company may be accepted as security from civil servants.

The bill was read a second time and reported from committee of the whole. Mr. Hayward in the chair, without amendments.

JUVENILE OFFENDERS.

In moving the second reading of a bill dealing with Youthful Offenders,

Physical Exhaustion

Brought This Woman Near to Death's Door—Dr. Chase's Nerve Food Made Her Feel Healthy and Young Again.

There is cause for rejoicing among women on account of the marvellous assistance given to them at the trying time of life by Dr. Chase's Nerve Food. By instilling into the blood that vital principle which goes to create new nerve force, this celebrated food cures gives energy and vitality to every organ of the body, and ensures strength and regularity to the peculiarly feminine organism.

This portion of the anatomy is a mass of nerves, and health and regularity depend almost entirely on the condition of the nerves. For this reason Dr. Chase's Nerve Food proves of incalculable value to women from maidenhood to that time of life when change comes to the female functions.

Mrs. Charles Keeling, sr., Owen Sound, Ont., writes: "It is a pleasure to tell what benefit I have derived from Dr. Chase's Nerve Food. I am 55 years of age, and for about five years my life was one of great suffering from nervousness, weakness and extreme physical exhaustion. I could not sleep, and hot flushes would pass through my body from foot to head. I consulted many family physicians and two other doctors, but they told me that about my time of life I was likely to be troubled that way. I continually grew worse, and despaired of ever being cured. Dr. Chase's Nerve Food came to my notice, and as we have Dr. Chase's Receipt Book I have confidence in the doctor. I was so surprised at the help I received from the first box that I bought three more. They built me right up, and made me feel healthy and young again. They have proved a great blessing to me, and I hope this testimonial will be of help to some weak, nervous woman suffering as I did."

Dr. Chase's Nerve Food, 60 cents a box, 6 boxes for \$2.50, at all dealers, or by mail, postpaid, on receipt of price, by J. H. Thomson, Bates & Co., Toronto.

WM. T. HARDAKER THE AUCTIONEER

To Store, Hotel, Restaurant Keepers and Others.

I will sell at my rooms, 77, 79 and 81 Douglas street, without reserve.

Tuesday, April 22nd at 2 p.m.

Consignment of 8 Cases

Crockery

In Lots to Suit Purchasers.

Hardaker
AUCTIONEER

Hon. Mr. Eberts explained that the bill was intended to deal with those incorrigible children who were allowed to crawl through the carelessness or neglect of their parents or guardians. Habitual neglect of parents to restrain their children was the cause of a majority of the offences committed by children, and he deemed it would be an effective way of preventing or checking juvenile crime to make the parents or guardians responsible.

The bill provides that the parents or guardians of a child between the ages of 7 and 14 years shall be made responsible for offences committed by such child and may be fined and made pay damages caused as well as being compelled to give security for the future good behavior of the child.

Mr. McPhillips endorsed the bill, which he considered a step in the right direction.

The bill was then passed upon by the committee of the whole (Mr. Gifford in the chair), reported complete.

GRANT TO NELSON.

Hon. Mr. Wells moved the second reading of a bill to Grant certain Crown Lands to the City of Nelson, which was concurred in.

The bill gives power to government to convey a certain portion of the foreshore of Kootenay lake and also the land known as the park.

WATER COMMISSIONER.

Mr. A. W. Smith's bill to provide for the appointment of a Water Commissioner for the Town of Ladang was reported complete from committee of the whole, Mr. Stables in the chair.

COMPENSATION TO WORKMEN.

The adjourned debate on Mr. Hawthorthwaite's Workmen's Compensation bill was resumed by Mr. McInnes, who declared that he had carefully examined the bill and was heartily in favor of it.

Mr. McBride expressed his entire concurrence in the bill and hoped it would pass without opposition.

Mr. Helmecken read expressions of opinion in the House of Lords on the Workmen's Compensation Act, when it was passed in the Imperial parliament, in which the principles of the bill were upheld by Lord Salisbury and other leading statesmen. He congratulated Mr. Hawthorthwaite on having introduced the bill, to which he would give his hearty support.

Hon. Mr. Eberts complimented Mr. Hawthorthwaite on his bill, which with no exception could be taken. It was a counterpart of the English act, and it would be a great mistake to attempt to improve or alter any of its provisions. It was of the utmost importance that the workmen should be protected in every possible way, and he was therefore heartily in accord with the bill.

Mr. McPhillips welcomed the bill as a step towards perfecting legislation respecting workmen. He would give it his support.

The second reading was then passed.

TO REGULATE IMMIGRATION.

Mr. Tatlow moved the second reading of the bill to Regulate Immigration into British Columbia, which is designed to exclude Asiatics.

Hon. Col. Prior informed the mover that the government was preparing a bill dealing with the same subject.

Mr. Tatlow insisted on his motion.

Hon. Col. Prior declared the bill out of order, as interfering with the public revenue.

Mr. McPhillips supported the second reading, stating that there was nothing in the bill to place it out of order on the ground raised by the Hon. the Minister of Mines.

Mr. McBride protested against the action of the government. It was unfair to Mr. Tatlow, who had given a great deal of time and work to the preparation of his bill.

Mr. Speaker ruled the bill out of order, as interfering with the prerogative of the crown.

Mr. McBride said it was most unfair and most unjust treatment.

THE WILLS ACT.

Mr. Curtis moved the second reading of a bill to amend the Wills Act, which provides that no condition respecting the subsequent marriage of a widow or widower shall be recognized by law.

Hon. Mr. Eberts said the bill was unique. When he first saw it, it struck him that the mover was pursuing a wealthy widow whose husband had left her his money conditional upon her not making a second marriage. (Laughter.) He was happy to have discovered that such was not the case. He thought it right that a man should provide for his widow, but not for her second husband. He could not support the bill.

Mr. McPhillips, while personally in sympathy with the principle of the bill, could not see his way to support it, as it would be an interference with the right of a man or woman to dispose of his or her property as he or she saw fit.

Mr. McNeill also opposed the bill. He would like to see the Scotch law, which protected widows and children from being left penniless by the wills of whimsical husbands, enacted in this province.

The second reading was defeated.

RAILWAY ASSESSMENTS.

Mr. Curtis's bill to amend the Railway Assessment Act was objected to by the Hon. the Attorney-General as being beyond the power of a private member.

Mr. Curtis claimed that his bill did not interfere with the provincial revenue. Hon. Mr. Eberts quoted precedents in support of his objection. Mr. Speaker reserved his decision till Monday next.

COAL MINES REGULATIONS.

Mr. Green moved the second reading of a bill to amend the Coal Mines Regulations Act, which provides that no Chinaman or person unable to speak English shall be appointed to or shall occupy any position of trust or responsibility in or about a mine subject to this act, whereby through his ignorance, carelessness or negligence he might endanger the life or limb of any person employed in or about a mine, viz.: As bankman, onsetter, signaller, brakeman, pointsman, fireman, engineer, or be employed below ground or at the windlass of a sinking pit.

Mr. Green quoted an opinion of a judge of the Privy Council to prove that his bill fell within the provisions of the British North America Act.

Mr. McBride complimented the honorable member for Slocan, on the able manner in which he had presented his case, and pledged his hearty support to the bill.

Mr. Hunter suggested that there was another bill amending the Coal Mines Regulations Act, which might profitably be incorporated with Mr. Green's bill.

Hon. Mr. Eberts was heartily in accord with the principles of the bill. The only question in his mind was whether or not it was in order, as it was shown that it was, he would give the bill his hearty support.

The second reading was concurred in. Mr. Smith moved the second reading of a bill to amend the Coal Mines Regulations Act, providing that whenever a majority of the coal miners who are employed in a mine to which this act applies, shall request in writing of the owner, agent, or manager, that the wages of such check weigher be paid direct from the offices of the mine, the said owner, agent, or manager, shall withhold from the wages due the coal miners aforesaid, a pro rata amount sufficient from time to time to meet the wages due the check weigher, and shall pay the same to him in a like manner as the wages of the said coal miners are paid, also, that a supply of timber shall be constantly kept in each working place sufficient to ensure the safety of the persons employed in the mine.

Mr. Smith explained that the management of the mines in his district had no objection to the proposed arrangement, but they wished the law authorities, for withholding the men's wages, the amount necessary to pay the check weigher.

The second reading was agreed to.

COUNTY COURT ACT.

Mr. McPhillips moved the second reading of the bill to amend the County Court Act, providing that no County court judge or junior judge shall practice in any court, nor act as a conveyancer.

Hon. Mr. Eberts thought the amendment unnecessary, as he felt convinced that none of the County court judges would so forget the dignity of his office as to practise his profession.

Mr. Martin was informed that certain magistrates were acting as collectors of small debts in the County court, which they presided in, in defiance of the law, which prohibited such practices. He hoped, if such a state of things actually existed, the Hon. the Attorney-General would take steps to put the law in force.

Hon. Mr. Eberts said no complaints had reached him of such irregularities, but if any were brought to his notice he would take prompt measures to put a stop to them.

The second reading then passed.

BILLS OF SALE.

Mr. McPhillips's bill to amend the Bills of Sale Act, was given its second reading. It is designed to define clearly the places where bills of sale should be registered.

ANOTHER WILLS ACT.

Mr. McPhillips moved the second reading of a bill to amend the Wills Act, which provides for the substitution of "or" for "and" in the existing act. The amendment would allow a will to be made and afterwards acknowledged before two witnesses, without the witnesses must be present at the making of the will, or when it is acknowledged by the testator.

Hon. Mr. Eberts thought it was as well to have the provincial law conform to that of England, and he would not oppose the second reading.

The bill was then read a second time.

MEASUREMENT OF TIMBER.

Hon. Mr. Wells presented a message from His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor transmitting a bill to regulate the Measurement of Timber, which was read a first time.

The House then adjourned till 2 o'clock on Monday afternoon.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

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1. Of the revenue of \$289,404.54 contributed by the district of West Kootenay for the year ending 30th June, 1901, how much was collected at offices situated in (a.) the North riding of East Kootenay? (b.) the South riding of East Kootenay? (c.) the Nelson riding? (d.) the Rossland?

2. How much during such year was spent for roads, trails and bridges in each of such ridings?

3. Of the revenue of \$125,019.88 contributed by the district of Yale for the year ending 30th June, 1901, how much was collected at offices situated in (a.) the North riding of East Kootenay? (b.) the South riding of East Kootenay? (c.) the Nelson riding? (d.) the Rossland?

4. How much during such year was spent for roads, trails and bridges in each of such ridings?

5. Of the revenue of \$98,876.14 contributed by the district of East Kootenay during the year ending 30th June, 1901, how much was collected at offices situated in (a.) the North riding of East Kootenay? (b.) the South riding of East Kootenay? (c.) the Nelson riding? (d.) the Rossland?

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